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CONTRARY TO TING MOU- SHIH STATEMENT TO US PARA 5, REF A,
WE NOW KNOW THAT TOLBERT MISSION DID IN FACT WHILE HERE
MENTION PROBLEM OF CERTAIN PRESSURES FOR LIBERIAN
RECOGNITION OF PRC. VICE FONMIN YANG HSI- KUN TOLD
AMBASSADOR EVENING OF MARCH 23 THE GOL WOULD BE OBLIGED
TO ANSWER PERSISTENT QUESTIONS STEMMING FROM CERTAIN
NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AS TO WHY GOL DID NOT TAKE ADVAN-
TAGE OF THE " GENEROUS OFFERS OF ASSISTANCE" FROM PRC
IN RETURN FOR RECOGNITION. MISSION REPORTEDLY INQUIRED
IF THE ROC COULD DO ANYTHING TO HELP GOVERNMENT MEET THE
IMPLIED CRITICISM. MISSION MADE CLEAR GOL PREFERRED TO
STAY WITH ROC BUT WOULD WELCOME HELP IN DEFENDING AD-
HERENCE TO ITS ESTABLISHED CHINA POLICY. YANG HSI- KUN
SAID THAT WHILE ROC IS NERVOUS ABOUT POSSIBLE PRESSURES
FROM OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES FOR SIMILAR INCREASED AMOUNTS
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OF AID, CONTINUATION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH
LIBERIA IS CONSIDERED SO IMPORTANT THAT DECISION WAS MADE

TO AGREE TO LOAN, EXPANDED AGRICULTURAL AID PROGRAM AND
DEVELOPMENT OF SUGAR INDUSTRY .
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